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## DR. PEIRCE'S COLUMN

The invitation so cordially extended by the Editor of the Collegian is accepted with alacrity. This opportunity of reaching the Kenyon constituency—students, alumni, friends—is full of happy possibilities and the President of the College gladly undertakes occasionally to comment on certain aspects of Kenyon affairs. To the readers of the Collegian an occasional glance through the perspective of the administration may prove interesting—and possibly amusing.

In the college world self-surveys are now-a-days quite the proper thing. To the self-complacent they often provide causes of congratulation while the apostle of reform and of progress is stimulated to more vigorous efforts by the usual results of such a survey. Kenyon men may well reflect upon the distinguishing characteristics of their college and its mission in the field of American education. Here, very briefly indicated, are four essential Kenyon traits.

1. Kenyon is the only College in the entire west historically associated with the Episcopal Church. Like other colleges founded by the missionary spirit for a religious object, it is loyal to this tradition. Philander Chase, first Bishop of Ohio, is the Kenyon hero. Other Bishops have attempted to establish other colleges but Jubilee, Griswold, Nebraska, Saint Paul's, Kemper, Shelby, Racine, have passed into history while Kenyon lives and grows stronger.

2. In the west Kenyon is almost the only college for men. Wabash and certain Roman Catholic institutions alone maintain the same tradition in a field where co-education is the dominant system.

3. By voluntary limitation Kenyon keeps its enrollment at the small figure of 250. A few eastern colleges maintain a definite limit and a larger number acknowledge the merit of the principle, but in the west Kenyon alone has taken definite action. Within the past year, however, Columbia has paid tribute to the small college ideal by annexing St. Stephen's, while the University of Pennsylvania definitely plans a small college for men at Valley Forge. At the University of Wisconsin Dr. Meiklejohn's small college inside the university is already in operation.

4. In Ohio Kenyon is conspicuous in maintaining the integrity of the course leading to the Bachelor's degree. Nearly all western institutions credit certain technical professional or teacher-training courses toward the Bachelor's degree but Kenyon maintains with conviction the independent and unalloyed college course of four years.

These essential characteristics naturally provide Kenyon men with four articles of an educational creed.

## SENIOR CLASS PLANS HOMECOMING DANCE

### Also Elects Officers for the Year in Recent Meeting

The senior class met at the commons on the evening of Wednesday, October 10th. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the current year and to make plans for the annual Fall Dance, which is always given by the senior class on the occasion of the Homecoming game.

Several men were nominated for each of the class offices. William Todd, of Cincinnati, was elected president of the class. Ralph Seitz of Sandusky and Dudley Hard of Cleveland were tied for the second greatest number of votes for the presidency. In a revote to break the tie Seitz was victorious and became vice president of the class. James Morrill of Grand Rapids was elected secretary-treasurer of the graduating class.

Mr. Todd announced that within a very few days he would appoint a committee which should arrange the details of the Homecoming dance and select an orchestra to play for the affair.

The Homecoming game this year will be played against Mt. Union on Friday, the 2nd of November. However poor the team's previous showing may be it is certain that it will put up a good fight against (Continued on page six)

## FLYING ACE ACCEPTS CINCINNATI POSITION

**Kenyon Man To Be An Instructor**  
Robert Lockerbie Rockwell, ex-'15, a member of the famous Lafayette Escadrille in the World War, has been made aviation instructor at the Embury-Riddle School of Flying, Lunken Airport, Cincinnati.

Rockwell, who lives in Mariemont, a Cincinnati suburb, was decorated by the French government for valor in many major engagements. He won the Croix de Guerre for his skill in bringing down German planes, and was for a time the flying partner of Raoul Lufberry, the famous French ace. Before the United States entered the war, Rockwell made an enviable name for himself in the most hazardous field of combat, flying alone on many of his excursions against the famous "flying circus" headed by Baron Manfred von Richthofen, Germany's greatest war flyer.

Going from Kenyon to Columbia to study medicine, Rockwell in 1916, abandoned his studies and his chosen career to enlist in the Lafayette Squadron. He soon became rated as an ace, and was especially famous for his skill at the controls in "stunt flying." Aerial acrobatics will be among the things he is to teach at Lunken Airport. Rockwell will also be a staff lecturer on aerodynamics.

## DR. REEVES TAKES A YEAR'S VACATION

Is Living In Europe With His Family

Dr. and Mrs. Reeves and their daughter, Hanna, sailed for Europe on the S. S. Rotterdam on the fourth of last August. Since landing in France they have established headquarters in Paris and have been traveling about the continent. Doctor Reeves hopes to divide his time during the fall and winter between France and Italy. In the spring the family plans to remove to London and spend as much of the summer there as is not occupied in visits to other localities on the island. The family will not return to Gambier until just before the opening of college next fall, having made a thirteen months' stay in Europe.

Doctor Reeves came to the Hill twenty-five years ago this autumn, and this is the first year's leave that he has taken. A quiet and extended vacation with his family (Continued on page three)

## STURGES MAKES FINE RECORD AT SORBONNE

Is Ranked Third in Class of Sixty-six

Braddock Sturges, class of '29, at Kenyon, has completed his course of studies at the University of Nancy, located at Nancy, France. After a week's trip up the Rhine Valley and back, he will leave for Paris to resume his studies at the Sorbonne University.

Sturges went to Europe as a member of the foreign study group, a select group of students from the leading universities and colleges of America.

He sailed for Europe July 12 on the French liner S. S. Rochambeau. Upon arriving at Nancy, he was lodged in a typically French home. He was required to speak nothing but French and all the courses in the university were conducted in French. His progress was rapid and friends of his will be interested to know that in the last examination he ranked third in the entire group of 66.

Sturges spent the first two weeks of September touring Switzerland with other members of the group, and since he has been in Nancy, he has made several excursions into the surrounding country. In this way he has been able to get a good glimpse of French life, both urban and rural.

When Sturges concludes his course of study at the Sorbonne University, he will return to this country. At the 1929 Kenyon commencement he will receive both his M. A. and his B. A. degrees.

Braddock is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity. He was editor-in-chief of last year's "Reveille" and a junior editor of the "Collegian." He is also a Phi Beta Kappa.

## FRATERNITIES PLEDGE LARGE GROUP OF MEN

### Fifty-seven Freshmen Don Ribbons As Result of Rushing

The entertainment of freshmen by the various fraternities began this year on Sunday, the 30th of September, according to the ruling of the Pan Hellenic Council. Seventy-four men of the entering class visited some of chapter parlors during the afternoon and evening of that day. Evening parties were held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights. And on Wednesday night, at eleven o'clock, bids were issued. Before the night was over fifty-seven men were wearing the colors of one of the seven fraternities represented on the Hill.

This is the third year that the system of deferred rushing has been employed. Superficially it seems to have worked very well indeed. Rushing week this year went off quite smoothly and according to plan. There is, however, considerable discontent being voiced against the existing scheme. No one has, as yet, been able to submit a better plan, and it looks as though the present rules for deferred rushing will apply next year exactly as they have in the past three. There is no doubt that the system has its decided advantages.

Once again this year, Zeta Alpha was permitted open rushing privileges during the first two weeks of the college year, when men in the other fraternities were not permitted to speak unnecessarily to new students. The men of this local, which is petitioning Phi Gamma Delta, report that they have pledged seven men, and hope that this (Continued on page seven)

## MR. COFFIN IS MARRIED

Kenyon men, on returning to the Hill in September, were pleasantly surprised to learn that Mr. Coffin, of the department of English, had been married during the summer. He was married to Miss Mary Du Bois of New Rochelle, New York, on the twenty-first of last August.

The wedding took place at five in the evening at Boothbay Harbor, Maine, with only a few intimate friends of the bride and groom in attendance.

Mrs. Coffin is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, and has done graduate work at Columbia University and at the Sorbonne in Paris. Prior to her marriage she taught French in New Rochelle.

Mr. Coffin has received his bachelor's degree and his master's degree from the College of Arts at Ohio State University. Mr. and Mrs. Coffin have established their residence in Gambier, where Mr. Coffin is continuing his work at the college and is also studying for his doctorate.

## NEW COMMONS NOW GROWING RAPIDLY

### Generous Gift Announced At Commencement

#### CORNERSTONE LAYING

### Attended by Large Number of Guests

On Thursday, September 20 the cornerstone of the New Peirce Hall was laid by the Right Reverend William Andrew Leonard, Bishop of Ohio. The new building, which will be used as a commons and club house for Kenyon students, is the gift of Frank H. Ginn, '90, of Cleveland and William N. Cromwell of New York city.

Despite the prevailing bad weather, a large number of alumni returned to the Hill to witness this most important event. The alumni and student body gathered on the west side of the foundation of the building and the college choir followed by President Peirce, Bishop Rogers and Bishop Leonard marched across the campus to the site of the new commons. Dr. Peirce addressed the group and told of the plans for the Hall and the sources from which the money had been derived for its erection. The choir sang "Philander Chase," which relates the story of the founding of the college. Following were the brief services, including a reading of the contents of a large copper box which was placed inside the cornerstone. Finally the stone itself was put in place with Bishop Leonard wielding the trowel. The college choir sang "The Thrill" to conclude the services.

Immediately after this ceremony a luncheon was given in Philo Hall for the Trustees, alumni, and guests. Unfortunately neither of the donors was able to be present, but each sent a representative to express his gratification and both sent telegrams to the same effect. The speeches which were given were mostly in praise of Dr. Peirce, for whom the commons is named, in appreciation of his splendid work and untiring efforts for Kenyon, and in praise of Mr. Ginn and Mr. Cromwell who have given this magnificent gift to the college.

The contractors, Crowell and Little, expect to have the building completely roofed over before winter sets in so that the interior work may advance rapidly. No definite date has been promised for the completion of the building, but it is assured that it will be ready for dedication at Commencement next June, at which time an alumni luncheon will be given in the huge main dining hall.

The resources from which the commons is being built are scattered, although Mr. Ginn and Mr. Cromwell are supplying the bulk of the money. The Diocese of Ohio is donating a sum of \$70,000, which (Continued on page three)

## ALUMNI

'06—Former Congressman John L. Cable of Lima is the Republican nominee for Congress in the Fourth Ohio District. Mr. Cable has served two terms in the House, 1921-1925.

'97—Congressman Robert Crosser of Cleveland, Democrat, is running for another term from the twenty-first Ohio district. Mr. Crosser entered Congress before the World War.

'02—Fred H. Zinn announces the opening of a brokerage department in the Toledo office of Otis & Co.

'13—John A. Wickham announces the formation of a partnership for the general practice of law with Rowland H. Long of New York. The business address of the new firm is 40 West 40th Street, New York.

'14—Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bowman announce their removal from 3300 Jefferson Avenue to 429 Warren Avenue. D. W. is on the staff of the Cincinnati Times-Star.

'16—After eight years in the Federal auditing service, Robert A. Bowman of Greenville, Ohio, has resigned as United States Bank Examiner in the Cleveland-Pittsburgh district.

'21—Arthur L. Sidnell has established his law offices at 16 West Portage street in the new Wild Building, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

'22—Robert Dickson Williams was married to Miss Lillian Greenland at Pittston, Pa., on August 21st.

'24—Rosewell Emerson Messinger, Jr., was married at Bucyrus, Ohio, last May to Miss Evelyn Sherer.

'24—James Lounsbery Wood announces his marriage on September 26th to Miss Helen Hewit at Cleveland.

'24—The marriage of David Butler Arnt to Miss Beatrice Carson on October 4th at Germantown, Philadelphia, has just been announced. They will be at home after November 15th at McCallum Manor, Germantown, Philadelphia.

'24—Frank Melvin Votaw married Miss Charlotte Bailey, sister of Edwin D. Bailey, a classmate, at Clarksburg, W. Va., on October 3rd.

'26—Edward Howe Stanfield was married to Miss Clara Alexander on December 16th, 1927, at Akron, Ohio.

'26—Alfred Oliver France is the editor and business manager of The Freeholder, weekly newspaper, published at Freehold, N. J.

M. A. '27—J. H. Kaneko has left New York City for a year's study at Oxford.

Bex. '28—Rev. James Philip Brereton, Deacon, was ordained to the Priesthood at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Medina, Ohio, on October 5th. The Rt. Rev. Warren L. Rogers, D. D., was the Ordaining Bishop.

'26—Monte Salvin received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia on June 1st.

'26—Dorsey Maxfield Dowell, Bexley '28, was married to Miss Elizabeth Selden Hubbard at St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, on the first of September. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buckley Hubbard, of Ashtabula.

## MAHONING VALLEY

## ALUMNI MEET

The Mahoning Valley Alumni Association, which was organized in April, 1928, had its Fall dinner and meeting at Wickliffe Inn, September 6th. There were 23 Kenyon and K. M. A. men present, the classes represented ranging from 1899 to 1931. Mr. C. B. Senft, president, presided and appointed Mr. A. J. Aubrey, '12, toastmaster. Several speeches and Kenyon songs were enjoyed by all. It developed that there are about 35 Kenyon men in this valley, therefore, the organization should be strong and permanent if members mean anything.

Athletics were discussed and the meeting went on record to support the coach in his endeavor to develop winning teams for Kenyon. The organization will welcome any suggestions as to how this support may be specifically applied. It will be this organization's endeavor to get some of the good student athletes from this vicinity to go to Kenyon. It is now working on a couple of likely prospects.

Some dissatisfaction was expressed by several of the Alumni at the lack of Kenyon Spirit among the present undergraduates as displayed at the 1927 Homecoming Game and 1928 Commencement.

The next meeting of the Mahoning Valley Alumni Association will be held in January, 1929.

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## WORK STARTED ON REVEILLE

Work on the 1930 Reveille is already well under way, according to Robert Kenyon, editor of the publication. The engraving contract has already been signed with the Stafford Engraving Company of Indianapolis. Several bids for the printing contract are being considered and it is expected that a definite choice of these competing houses will be made in the very near future.

On the eleventh and twelfth of October a representative of the White Studios of New York was in Gambier. During this time the individual pictures of the upperclassmen and the football group pictures were taken.

Kenyon announces that several radical departures from the customary make-up will be observed in the 1929 Reveille, which, he hopes, will improve the character of the book considerably.

## ALUMNI COUNCIL MEETS

The Alumni Council met in Gambier on the week-end of October 13th. The Council arrived on Friday, and most of its members remained in Gambier over Sunday.

During this visit to the Hill the Council convened on several occasions, and with several different groups. Mr. Timberlake, the secretary of the Alumni Association, will write an article for the November issue of the Collegian, giving a complete and detailed account of the business transacted by the Council, the decisions that it reached and any proposals that it made. As yet this material is not ready for publication.

While in Gambier the members of the Council were able to attend the football game played against Otterbein on Saturday afternoon.

At the bonfire and rally held by the undergraduates on the night before the game a number of speeches were made. Mr. Mathew Maury, the head of the Council spoke to the college men at this rally, and in his speech made a plea that the college spirit, which seems to have lapsed recently, might be revived.

The Council expressed a great deal of interest and satisfaction in the manner in which the new commons was going up.

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## ELECTS C. C. UNDERWOOD

On August 1st, Clarence C. Underwood, Kenyon '08, took up his new duties as Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Indianapolis. He entered Kenyon in 1907 from Ohio State, took his A. B. and M. A. degrees here, and did graduate work at Columbia. Mr. Underwood has been Superintendent of Schools in Painesville, Ohio, and Crawfordsville, Indiana.

During his stay at Kenyon, Mr. Underwood was a member of the Philomathesian Society and president of the Ohio Inter-collegiate Republican club.

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## RUSSELL DRAKE DIES

Mr. Russell E. Drake, Kenyon, '22, died at his home, 1326 West 116th St., Cleveland, on the 14th of last July. He had been ill for nearly a year, but death from complications came unexpectedly.

Mr. Drake was a graduate of Akron Central High School, before entering Kenyon, and after his graduation here he was employed by the Mohawk and India rubber companies in an advertising capacity.

About four years ago he left Akron and became interested in promoting commercial business courses, being employed at the Alexander Hamilton Institute and the Wilcox Commercial Schools. He was with the Wilcox company in Cleveland at the time of his death.

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## SENIOR CLASS FORMS KENYON HOOVER CLUB

### Ohio State Man Makes Address

Mr. Richard Hollington, a senior at Ohio State University, addressed the senior class of Kenyon College in Philo Hall on the third of October, when that group convened for the year's first meeting of English 7, 8, better known as Senior English. Mr. Hollington is one of Mr. Hoover's campaign workers among the Ohio colleges. Recently he has visited a number of our neighboring institutions and has formed Hoover Clubs among the student bodies at those places. It was with such a purpose in mind that he came to Gambier.

At this meeting it was decided that the senior class should form a Hoover club to further the cause of the Republican campaign in the college. An election of officers was held and Mr. Leonard Dodge of Cleveland was triumphant over Mr. Wayne Singer by a large margin of votes for the presidency of the club. Mr. Dodge, however, much as he might have liked to have been present, was otherwise engaged at the time and had not found it convenient to attend class. This, of course, necessitated a re-election.

At this point in the proceedings it was suggested that there might be men in the class who intended to vote for Smith, and that it would be well to separate the oil from the alcohol, as it were, before proceeding any further with the business of organizing a Hoover club. Accordingly, all those men interested in furthering Hoover's candidacy were asked to remove to another and smaller classroom. Quite a large portion of the class responded.

These men then set about electing officers in a sober and orderly manner. Mr. Charles Dunlop was elected president of the club, and Mr. William S. H. Todd was chosen as vice-president. Mr. Hollington then explained the purpose and function of the club and urged its members to try to get the men in college who were of age to vote to go to the polls on election day. Both parties are making a big play for the younger generation vote during the present campaign.

It is a significant fact that college men, such as Hollingsworth, are willing to lend their services to this year's campaign, and are willing to make a considerable sacrifice of time to do so. The national interest in politics, which has been decreasing steadily during the past fifteen or twenty years, seems to be once more claiming the attention of the average intelligent voter, and even of the younger men.

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## NEW COMMONS (Continued from page one)

will be used for the erection of the Philander Chase Memorial Tower, one of the outstanding features of the structure. The class of 1896 has donated about \$2,500 for a memorial fireplace, and a special fund of between \$30,000 and \$40,000 will be used for the maintenance of the kitchen and replacement of equipment. The main part of the structure will cost about \$300,000, which sum is the gift of Mr. Ginn and Mr. Cromwell.

One of the most beautiful features of the building will be the stained glass windows above the first lintel in the large dining hall and also in the Philander Chase Tower. These windows are in perfect keeping with the rest of the building and are of a quality which will emphasize still more the style of architecture. Charles J. Connick, the finest expert on stained glass in America today, has the contract for these, and also for a large memorial window in the Tower. The great dining hall will be a clear story, measuring forty feet from the floor to the heavily beamed ceiling. The rather prominent buttresses on the exterior will be carried through on the inside of the hall, breaking the oak paneled walls with handsome pillars of limestone.

The kitchen will be furnished in the most modern fashion possible, and will be equipped with everything to make the work efficient to the last degree. A cafeteria will be opened on the lower floor, where students can have breakfast at a later hour, refreshments during the day and food in the evening if they so desire. Five private dining rooms are on the same floor for fraternity banquets, or special luncheons. A loggia opening onto the terrace will connect the dining hall with a spacious lounge room on the north end. Upstairs is a large room which will contain four billiard tables, with a card room adjoining. On the top floor are several rooms which may be occupied by alumni or visitors on the Hill.

Everything about Peirce Hall tends to make the students perfectly comfortable in attractive surroundings, serve them the best of food, and provide all the advantages of a good club. It is ideally situated with a terrace overlooking the valley to the east of the Hill. The building itself will be surpassed by none in American colleges and universities today.

The architect is Alfred H. Granger of the class of '87 and a devoted Kenyon man.

## BEXLEY NOTES

Bexley Hall Theological Seminary welcomes a new member to its faculty this year. The Rev. William Clinton Seitz, Kenyon, '15, takes the place made vacant by the death of Dr. David F. Davies. Rev. Seitz comes here from Christ Church, Springfield. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree from Kenyon in 1915, and since that time has received the degrees of Master of Arts, Bachelor of Divinity, and Master of Sacred Theology. He is a member of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

Orville E. Watson, Professor of Bible, and Charles E. Byrer, Dean of Bexley Hall, have returned from Washington, where they attended the Annual General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Two new students, Ralph Madison and Stanley Plattenburg, both juniors, have enrolled at Bexley this year, bringing the total number of students to fourteen. This number includes three seniors, six middlers, and five juniors.

The Bexley Society is this year headed by John Zimmerman, a junior at Bexley Hall.

### LOCAL CLERGY PREACH

It has long been the custom for the president to address the student body from the pulpit on the first Sunday morning of each college year. In accordance with precedent, it was Dr. Peirce who delivered the sermon in the Church of the Holy Spirit on Sunday, the 23rd of September. The Right Rev. William Andrew Leonard, Bishop of Ohio, preached before the college on the following Sunday. And on the 7th of October, the Reverend Louis Bailey, rector of Harcourt Parish and chaplain to the college was in the pulpit.

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## DR. REEVES IN EUROPE (Continued from page one)

is not his only object in going to Europe, however. Doctor Reeves hopes to pursue several lines of research work which have long appealed to him and which he has never had the time nor the facilities to take up. A year's vacation has given him the time to do this work and the libraries of Europe cannot fail to furnish the material for study.

Already one incident of local interest concerning the Reeves' trip has been reported on the Hill. Kenyon Eberth, '27, James Ulmer, '28, and Robert Baxter, '29, made a considerable stay in Paris during August. One day during the latter part of that month they were sitting in a cafe, taking their ease and watching the crowds, when they saw Dr. Reeves walking across the street in front of them. A Kenyon reunion was held on the spot. The boys learned that the Reeves were living just across the street from them. Before they left Paris they saw Dr. Reeves several times, and they bring back the report that the sabbatical vacation, so far, has been a tremendous success.

Dr. Reeves will resume his teaching duties next September. He announced before he left that the work which he hopes to do while he is in Europe will give him a great deal of interesting material to present to his classes at that time.

## GYM CLASSES BECOME A SERIOUS MATTER

At some indefinable time the Faculty of Kenyon College decided that the idea of a country club was overdone; that perhaps an athletic club would be better. At any rate, the requirements in gym were raised to four hours each week for the entire college year, instead of two hours each week from Thanksgiving until Easter.

The requirement that each man take gym for two full years is also being adhered to strictly. Several Juniors and Seniors were vastly chagrined one week after the opening of college to find that they will be allowed and even urged to take gym this year. The Post Office was full of notices from the Registrar, enclosing cards for registration in gym. Sudden and deep interest was shown in football and in cross-country teams.

Many physical ailments, real and imaginary, appeared to be cogent reasons for excuse from gym, but again the faculty outwitted the students. Before registration every man was required to file with the Registrar a comprehensive statement from his physician as to his general condition. These statements showed that many of the men with fancied debilities were not as ill as they hoped.

Therefore, gym is added to the list of four-hour courses for many of the upperclassmen, as well as for all of the lower classmen.

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### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

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An important announcement that we have to make to the readers of the Collegian will probably have already been observed by the time any of them turn to this page. The announcement is that Dr. Peirce has consented to write a column for the Collegian each month. This article of the president's will always be found occupying the first column of the front page of this publication.

We feel that, while the great majority of the benefit accruing to Dr. Peirce's kind consent to contribute to the Collegian will be felt by the paper and its readers, the arrangement is not without its mutual advantages. At least that is the argument we used with Dr. Peirce while we were still trying to get his consent. The Collegian will, we hope, furnish an added medium of communication between the president and the alumni and the undergraduate body. The pleasure and benefit which a monthly message from the president will hold for the alumni and the college men is obvious.

We feel that we are decidedly fortunate in obtaining Dr. Peirce's consent to print a message from him to Kenyon men in each issue of the Collegian, and we hope that the press of business and his frequent absences from Gambier on behalf of the college will never be able to deprive Collegian readers of the pleasure of hearing from the president in the column dedicated to his use.

#### "THE HUMBLE FROSH"

The arrival of the class of nineteen thirty-two on the Hill seems to have marked the opening of a new epoch in the life and customs of Kenyon College. This new order of things has not swooped down on us unheralded. For several years the incoming freshmen classes have bowed with ever lessening humility before the once omnipotent sophomore. And each successive year those same classes, when it has come their turn to wield the mighty bludgeon of precedent, have gone through the ancient and absurd ritual assigned to them with a steadily diminishing vigor and enthusiasm.

This year an impetus has been furnished which seems about to destroy once and for always that infantile badgering of the freshmen by the sophomores which has been gradually losing favor. And that impetus has been furnished by the class of thirty-two. The present sophomore class has, in a perfunctory sort of way, tried to make

monkeys out of the men of thirty-two. The freshmen have retaliated by wholeheartedly making utter monkeys out of the men of thirty-one, and furnishing the rest of the college with no end of amusement.

This fact should attach no particular discredit to the sophomore class, who undoubtedly felt as foolish when they had to make the freshmen sing "There is a Hell for Freshmen" as they looked when the freshmen rebelled and sang "The Sophs Are Going to be Hung" ad nauseam at the commons. No, it is merely an indication that the "college boy" notions of the nineties, having outlived their generation, are being considerate enough at last to die peacefully. Back when it was considered fashionable to ride a bicycle and smoke a bull-dog pipe, it was perfectly reasonable to consider a man a mere worm, a lowly bit of nothing, simply because he had not been exposed to the cultural influence of the old campus elms for an entire year. But that was the 'nineties, and then our colleges were little more than glorified prep schools. Today secondary education is a reasonably thorough process, and the majority of boys who enter college are nearly as dry behind the ears at that time as they will be at the time of their graduation—if ever.

So let us all breathe a sigh of relief that the old rah, rah conception of the simple "frosh" is on the wane. We do not mean by this that "hell week" at the beginning of the college year should be abandoned. The cane rush, the fight, the minstrel show, and the candle parade are traditional institutions and are not absurdities in the least. What we hope to see utterly abolished and what we firmly believe to be gasping its last is the deadly earnestness and artificial rage which has, in the past, seemed such a necessary part of these amusing functions, and the continuation of that pumped up animosity throughout the college year.

The individual divisions furnish enough discipline, and "hell week" provides enough hazing to satisfy a normal craving for order and amusement. The present freshman class has, while nominally obeying the sophomores most of the time, laughed up its sleeve at them since the opening day of school. If the sophomores adopt a healthy and reasonable attitude toward the freshmen now they can not only save their faces, but they can destroy a useless and silly heritage from a past age, which seems already on the brink of destruction anyway. As soon as this step is accomplished the current term "college men" will lose one or two of its highly humorous aspects.

#### THE NEW COMMONS

And so, switching from the ridiculous to the sublime, we take our pen in hand to comment briefly on the new commons.

Mr. Ginn and Mr. Cromwell could have done no finer thing for Kenyon College than what they have done. They have given more than a new eating place to the college—badly needed as that alone might have been. They have furnished the means to provide a new center of student life and of student activity. The new commons building, as it is planned and as it is being erected is not only a dining hall and sometimes ballroom. It will contain a restaurant, card rooms, billiard rooms, lounging rooms, and private dining rooms for small gatherings.

All this, aside from meaning that the college has obtained something very sumptuous and very beautiful, signifies one thing. It means that the college men, who now, perforce, spend their leisure time scattered all

over the Hill, will know a common ground for relaxation and a common place to collect. The new building, then, will be a commons in the true sense of the word.

In the past the restaurants and pool rooms of the village and the downstairs of the present commons men whenever they feel like loafing in groups—as they so often do.

A great deal of agitation is being raised at present over the lack of school spirit in Kenyon College. Whether this criticism is justified or not it is not our present intention to examine. But it ought to be fairly obvious that a fine looking, comfortable clubhouse for the entire college will tend to unify it and create in it that much-discussed quality generally known as "school spirit" more than any other institution or proposed institution on the Hill.

The college is indebted to Mr. Ginn and Mr. Cromwell for a magnificent addition to its already beautiful outlay of buildings, and for a contribution which, we may reasonably expect, will change and greatly improve the whole character of student life in Gambier.

#### THE OLD COMMONS

Once more we have returned to Gambier's shaded walks, her ivy-mantled walls, her lordly elms, her secret nooks and crannies, and her lovely whatnots. And furthermore we have returned to her Commons. It is that note in our little song which we cannot help but flat—it is an inevitable discord. If Shakespeare's Titania were to descend on Knox County in all her celestial loveliness and etherealize all Gambier with one wave of her magic wand, the commons would probably still continue to serve last month's meat balls.

In brief we have a gripe. We think it is a legitimate gripe. It is, to be quite truthful, our pet gripe. It ought to be, since we indulge it three times a day. Last year we contained ourselves admirably, and have been flattering ourselves ever since on the praiseworthy restraint which we exercised over ourselves in attacking the commons fare. Said we to ourselves, said we; we'd be austere, business-like, cryptic, and convincing. We fairly bristled with statistics. We were so deadly earnest that we might have been running for some political office. Not a breath of levity appeared in all our voluminous tracts on the commons. And how are we repayed? With meat balls! Comrades, is this right, is this equity? It is not.

And in return for the cruel treatment that we've received we're going to air our sentiments in the matter just once more—or maybe twice more. Fellows, it all boils down to this. Meat balls!

Last year it was grease that pervaded everything that the commons served, and this year it seems to be buckshot. What did you say, my dear girls?—Well, if it isn't buckshot, what is it that makes the food so heavy? Two cubic inches of lead and an equal bulk of mashed potatoes from the commons were put in a pair of scales recently. No soon were the scales held up and allowed to function than the scale which bore the mashed potatoes dropped groundward like a shot, hitting Tom Sheldon on the head and ruining the set of scales. The price of the scales has been added to the commons fee for next semester.

With unheard of magnanimity we will break down and confess that the frills surrounding the meals at the commons have staged a considerable improvement—for the first month of school at least. But the *pieces de resistance* of every meal still retain their indigestible character and

nondescript appearance. When meat balls, as dry as hay, aren't on the table their place is ably taken by grayish slabs of some foreign substance. This substance to which we refer may actually be meat which has been acted upon by some phenomenon or natural effect. As a matter of fact, we don't know—we never tasted any of it, and won't as long as we have eyes.

Fresh vegetables are generally conceded to be beneficial to the human system. The commons management might be interested in hearing of this unique new theory. Canned corn with scum on the top, green celery, and an occasional dish of spinach comprises the total sum of the commons' adherence to the green vegetable superstition.

That the place actually can serve decent food if it wants to has been demonstrated in a most amusing fashion. Members of the Alumni Council visited Gambier recently and remained on the Hill for about three days. During those three days the food at the commons was not only palatable and wholesome—it was appetizing. And here my friends enters the tragic element. Not a single member of the Alumni Council so much as stuck his nose inside the place. All that food food gone to waste! Think of it, friends. The extravagance of it! Naughty, naughty alumni!

In a most scholarly discourse on this same subject which appeared in this publication last year we said that we would neither indulge in sarcasm or frenzy, since in the past neither had proved effective when attempted by others. That was just youth's sweet dream, ladies and gentlemen. We know better now, and no longer fondly hope that sobriety will be productive of results. So, if both sarcasm and frenzy are to be found in the few brief remarks which we have made to you this evening, and if, because of that fact, them self same words prove ineffectual, what care we? They will prove at least as effectual as all past protests have been.

If no one puts arsenic in our food in the meantime we may have a few brief remarks to make to the kiddies along these same lines next month. And besides, we doubt if arsenic could faze us now, after becoming more or less able to bear up under the thrice daily that we get at the commons.

#### FIRE BURNS, FRESHMAN PAY

Friday, the 12th of October, saw more activity on Gambier's Hill than has taken place in many moons. Some one had an idea! That alone is news of sufficient value to be worthy of the front page. But what is still more astounding, we have it on good authority that this idea germinated and had its birth in the mind of a sophomore! That, we admit, is almost too great a strain on one's credulity and powers of imagination. But it is true. This new and original idea was that a bonfire ought to be held, or built, or burnt, or whatever one does to a bonfire, the night preceding the Otterbein football game.

There are lots of ideas and always have been, although college men, and especially college sophomores, don't generally have them. One of the first things that the building have been the only spots outside of the dormitories where the undergraduates have been accustomed to congregate during their leisure time. None of these places is noted for being particularly attractive, comfortable, or healthful. The new commons will quite automatically take the place of all these time-honored haunts and attract to itself practically all of the college

mother or father of an idea does is to look around and try to find some one else to put this brand new thought into execution. That is precisely what this unknown genius who thought of a bonfire did. He communicated his inspiration to his awed henchmen. And here is where the freshmen prance out upon the scene. For it was the yearlings who were given the privilege of building Kenyon's great bonfire of 1928.

All Friday afternoon freshmen hurried thither and yon and back thither again. Sophomores stood around and gave orders which no one heard, and upperclassmen stood around and looked elaborately unconcerned. The freshmen dispersed to all points of the compass, and, instead of exercising sense and good taste enough to stay there, they all returned, proudly bearing all manner of inflammable material. This material varied from fence posts and telephone poles to desks and dressers. Each added libation that was brought up to the convergence of the paths in front of Old Keyon was hailed with many noises and much shouting. The freshmen were certainly doing their best to convince themselves that they were being real college boys, just like they'd read about, and that they were having a roaring old time.

The crowning touch to the alleged funeral pyre of Otterbein's guilding genius was hoisted into place about suppertime. It consisted of the usual offering that has crowned such works from time immemorial. And this year it was brazenly filched from college property!

About eight o'clock in the evening some one touched a match to the accumulated debris, and the vast labor of the entire day commenced to go up in smoke. The undergraduates flitted out of the dormitories from all sides and bore down on the blazing mass, like moths, attracted by the glow of the midnight oil that we are burning to get this done. They stood around in a circle, blinking. No one said much. Finally some one, in unnecessarily loud tones, piped up, "What's the matter with the team?" This rude question was, for the most part, disregarded. All Kenyon men are utterly truthful, and none of the men present cared to be brutally frank, so it remained for a few enthusiasts who weren't trying to be just terribly, terribly smooth and indifferent to reply that the team was quite all right in its way.

The freshmen organized a snake dance, singing something all the while. After this, almost the entire student body gathered around members of the squad and the coaches and actually cheered them! A truly notable feat for the sophisticated and polished gentry who loiter about the middle path between week-ends. Coach Clash, Rudy Kutler, Bud Evans, Virg Walling, Thad Taylor and Mr. Maury all unburdened themselves before the assembled multitude and made a plea for a bit of cheering on the morrow—a request which responded to in full! More miracles. The gathering broke up after "The Thrill" had been rendered, every one humming where he didn't know the words.

The anti-climax to the whole affair came when the Hon. Diz White, Superintendent of Building and Grounds, Chief Engineer to Kenyon College, Lord High Admiral of the Janitor Force, Master of Locks, Keys, Fire Extinguishers, and Groom of the Second Floor Front reported to the authorities that sixty dollars worth of college sheds and shedding had gone up in smoke to propitiate the God of Football on high. This amount, it has been determined, is to be added to the freshmen's term bill for next semester. Thus endeth an idea.

## RESEARCH, MOTORING CLAIM FACULTY SUMMER

### Dr. Cahall's Golf Game Improves

When first approached for a share in the interest of their summer vacationing, our erudite professors are diffident, and their comment is well summed up in Dr. Timberlake's remark, "Nothing sensational for me this summer." Yet after a little chat, it is not difficult to see the pep and interest which is surely a part of the vacation of nearly every member of the faculty. Motor trips, writing, and study were the main activities of the summer.

Doctor Radford spent his time in Gambier preparing two magazine articles on Virgil and Ovid, while his spare time was devoted to the supervision of the work of three scholars who were studying and writing on subjects pertaining to the Greek.

Professor West enjoyed a trip through New York state, visited Niagara Falls, and spent some time in Philadelphia with his daughter.

Doctor Janes was absorbed in writing and research, adding to his ever-growing literary efforts on economic subjects.

Professor Coffin, in addition to "pulling a fast one" on the school and being married, attended Columbia university, where he roomed with Dr. Hibbitt, a former professor at Kenyon.

Professor Redditt put the finishing touches on a year's work at Johns Hopkins University and will receive his doctor's degree at some time in the near future.

At the rate at which Dr. Cahall's golf has been improving, it will not be long until Kenyon will lose a valuable member of its faculty. Dr. Cahall believes that with the coming of the next golf season he will be earning fabulous sums from the cash prizes offered in the national tournaments, and will devote his life to breaking seventy and correcting that pet hook.

Of the faculty play seasons, perhaps the most unique was the tour taken by Dr. Allen and his family, in which they covered nearly nine thousand miles of the West, Mexico, and Canada. Leaving Gambier just one hour after commencement, Dr. Allen encountered rain until he was well in the state of Kansas. Here the rainfall had been so severe that it was necessary to drive through raging torrents which completely covered the roads and carried the car at an oblique angle for many miles. The party slept in the open, carrying water when necessary and using full camp equipment en route. At one time, however, two days were spent with Mr. Horace G. Wood, former chaplain at Kenyon. Following up his keen interest in astronomy, Dr. Allen was conducted through the Mt. Wilson observatory in Los Angeles, where important work was being undertaken in measuring the diameters of planets many light years away.

Leaving the coast, the party visited the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, and the Hood River Valley. At the latter place, Dr. Allen was fortunate enough to have the opportunity of climbing a huge glacier, a very perilous undertaking, since hidden crevices sometimes as wide as ten feet yawned here and there in the thick ice. Such cracks were often several hundred feet deep and one misstep would have meant disaster. After gaining the crest, our dignified tutor proceeded to slide down the side of the mountain with no protection save his trousers, and in the escapade suffered a slightly sprained leg. A complete log of the trip was kept and many interesting and beautiful scenic pictures were taken.

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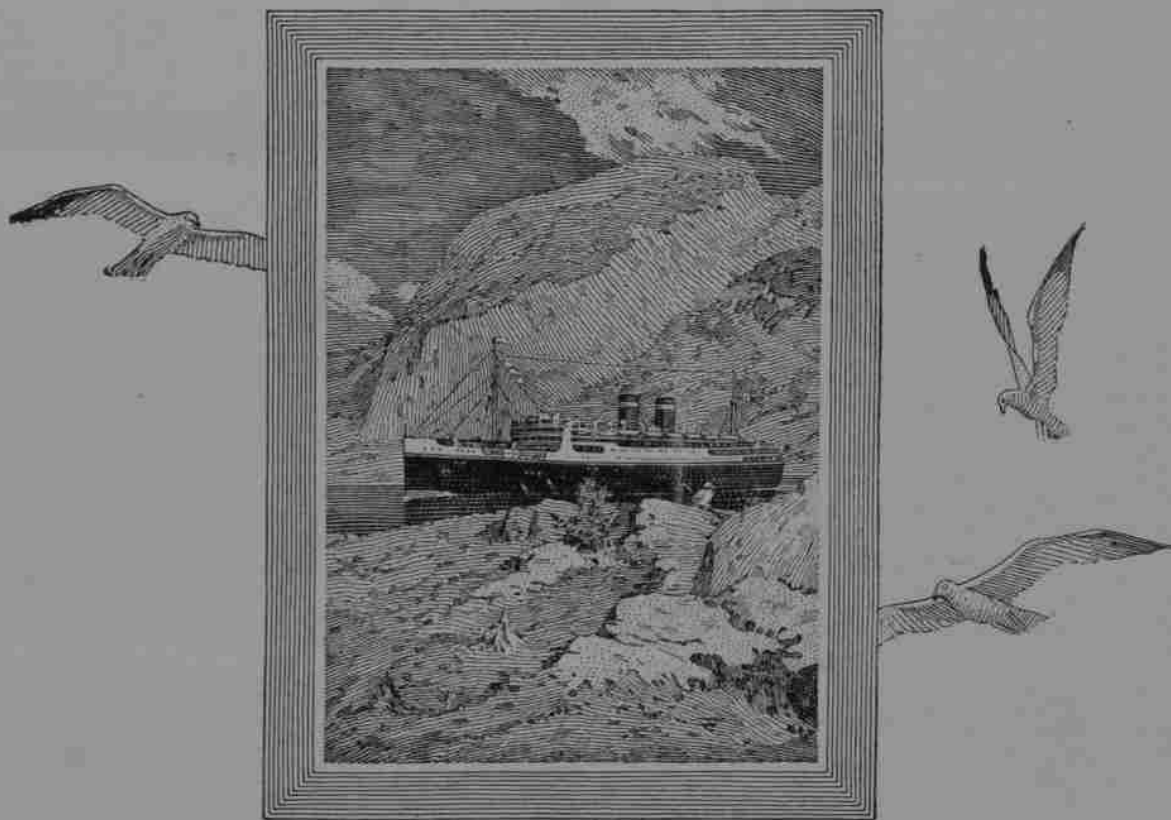
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## THE CAMPUS

### FRESHMEN STAGE REBELLION

The junior and senior classes were intensely amused recently. At the same time the freshmen were wildly elated. And at still the same time our sophomore class was deeply chagrined. The occasion was a certain Sunday noon at the commons—the first Sunday that college was in session, to be exact.

According to tradition the seniors sang a little song. It was an innocent song, and scarcely merited the outburst which followed it. But the sophomores, too, were bound by tradition. They applauded the senior offering by loud raucous cries. Shouts of "321, '321!" filled the air. With a weary sigh the freshman class arose and stood collectively on its chair. With a vigor and coordination that astounded all listeners and caused the knees of the sophomores to tremble the class of nineteen thirty-two offered that charming little ditty, popularly known as "There is a hell for Freshmen."

Kenyon's youngest class completed its more or less harmonious task, tacked on a weak "Amen" at the end, and paused. Juniors from all parts of the place assumed their share of the grand, old tradition and struck up "The sophs are going to be hung." When Lo! the freshmen class done likewise. For fully five minutes the yearlings yelled themselves hoarse, outdoing themselves at their battle hymn of hate. The powerless sophomores, for the most part, sat still and looked foolish. A few beat impotently on pitchers and plates, but the field was won by the freshmen.

A "line-up" followed dinner that noon. The men of thirty-two "boola-ed" and "dogged" for quite an extended period. This failed to dampen their ardor, however, and it was a disgruntled bunch of sophomores that the upperclassmen had to put up with for the rest of the day. For the first time since Philander Chase first took it upon himself to chastise the original yearling, a freshman class had rebelled and gotten away with it.

How will the matter end? We have yet to see.

### KENYON INVADERS CLEVELAND

Over half the student body made the trip to Cleveland for the Kenyon-Reserve football game and dance on the 6th of October. Many of the men left as early as Thursday and Friday, and the last stragglers did not arrive back in Gambier until Monday. Kenyon's defeat by Reserve did not in the least dampen the gaiety of the occasion.

After the game every one dispersed for dinner and to make ready for the Kenyon-Reserve "Lid Lifter" which was scheduled to begin at nine o'clock at the Winton Hotel. As a matter of fact no record has been preserved as to when this affair actually did begin, or when it ended. But every one who attended has a more or less distinct recollection that a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. In fact, the entire week-end was a howling success, and the college has already begun to look forward to its proposed repetition next year.

### MRS. STURGES VISITS GAMBIER

Mrs. Hale Sturges of Mansfield, Ohio, has been visiting in Gambier since the opening of the school year. During this time she has renewed her acquaintance with many friends here. She has also been able

to be with her youngest son, Ned, during the opening of his career at Kenyon. Mrs. Sturges plans to remain in Gambier until about the first of December, when she will return to Mansfield to arrange her affairs for a trip to Europe. She sails from New York on December 8. While she is in France, she will make an extended stay with Brad-dock Sturges, 29, who is now studying at the Sorbonne.

From France, Mrs. Sturges plans to take a Mediterranean trip, after which she will stop in Paris before returning to the United States.

### COLLEGE OPENS

The opening of the fall term at Kenyon has always had some glamour and appeal, even for upper-classmen. This year was no exception, despite the strict observance of what has so often been called "tradition." The customary open-armed reception of the incoming class, which provides such exquisite entertainment for the initiate and leaves so great a field for the workings of the ravenous Sophomore mind, was held the first two nights of the new semester. Freshmen were debased; Sophomores mocked; upper-classmen looked on, superior and aloof.

Freshmen, urged on by the villainies of Rus Hargate and other Juniors, dash ferociously into an eerie forest the next night in search of prey. Willy Sophomores, ensconced securely behind several miles of Dickie Doolittle's best clothes line, wait for the attack. Cries of "wolf!" are many, but finally the two armies meet. Bedlam amid the beeches. Thad Taylor fires a horse-pistol, and the contending hosts withdraw to count the prisoners and wounded. An over-weening Senior Council decides in favor of the Freshmen. Shouts of "thirty-two!" Blankmeyer loses his dinner.

The next day a "tradition" of long standing is summarily discarded and the Cane Rush held on the football field. A huge freshmen class lines up to struggle with the Sophomores, who number around thirty. A massacre seems imminent, so Taylor gives the Sophs five yards' advantage. Seven minutes of leg-pulling and laughter. Senior Council makes startling decision by awarding Rush to freshmen 10 to 7, or 15 to 6, or something. McCune later found hiding under bed.

Harcourt's "fair maidens" undergo their annual torment as Pyjama Parade concludes festivities for the year. Very fresh freshmen perform for giggling girls under the delusion that it is entertainment. Dan Driskell conducts affair, blushing the while. Usual mispronunciations and contortions exhibited under searching eyes of enthralled townspeople and Seniors, with Virg Muir sadly lacking to make the party complete for Harcourt.

### MRS. WEST ENTERTAINS

On Tuesday afternoon, the 2nd of October, Mrs. West entertained at tea at her home in Gambier. The guests included several men from the Beta division, an equal number of girls from Harcourt, and Mrs. Hale Sturges of Mansfield, who is now visiting in Gambier.

Delicious refreshments were served at half past four, which undoubtedly attraction, combined with the naturally pleasant quality of the occasion, made the guests quite unwilling to leave when the hour for departure arrived.

Several of the men manifested an interest in some puzzles belonging to Mrs. West's small granddaughter which was entirely out of proportion to their age and supposed amount of dignity.

### HOMECOMING

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these ancient rivals who have been so uniformly victorious over us in the past few seasons.

The formal dance will be given Friday night, the day of the game. On Saturday it is expected that many of the alumni, the college men, and their guests will drive to Columbus to see the Princeton-Ohio State game which is being played there on that date. The same night the informal dance will be given at Rosse Hall. Dancing will be, as usual, from nine until twelve. It is expected that many of the alumni will return to the Hill for this occasion, and the senior class is confident that it will find its last dance well patronized.

### CUFF VISITS GRANDMOTHER

MR. JOHN CUFF, flashy half-back on Wayne Singer's "Graveyard Team," accompanied the squad to Cleveland recently, ostensibly to play in the Reserve game but actually to visit an ailing grandmother, aged 67, who had slipped on a peach pit and broken a hip. Later he took in the Kenyon-Reserve "Lid Lifter" at the Hotel Winton. Grandmother Cuff gave an impromptu exhibition of the "varsity drag," which is doing rather well for an old lady aged 67, who had slipped on a peach pit and broken her hip.

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### BISSELL FEATURES

The class of twenty-eight has crashed through! It is very seldom that any graduating class watches one of its members ascend the road to fame within four months after leaving the cloistered walls of its alma mater, but that privilege has been extended to the class of twenty-eight. Some of the orators at last commencement may be surprised to learn that their predictions have actually born fruit.

And the instrument of twenty-eight's sudden dash into the public eye is the portly person of one Thomas Russell Bissell. In making the above statements we are being quite literal, for it was through the agency of his portly figure that the well-known Mr. Bissell attained immortality. And who can deny that the man who gets his picture in College Humor has attained immortality? The November issue of that publication contained a department known as the collegiate hall of fame. Among the distinguished collection of portraits reproduced on that page was a picture of our own Thomas.

The worthy Mr. Bissell was nominated for the collegiate hall of fame because he was the biggest man in the country to play football in 1927. Statistics followed. We were all surprised to learn that "Bissell is over six feet in height" and properly impressed. With such early promise we thrill to think of the distinction that twenty-eight will probably have attained by its twentieth reunion.

### RHODES SCHOLARS APPLY

Several men from the undergraduate body responded recently to the announcement that applications for Rhodes Scholarships for the current year were in order. Virgil Walling, '29, and T. F. Rose, '29, were chosen by the faculty to represent Kenyon College in the state competition. The election will take place on the eighth of December. One man from the state of Ohio will be awarded the scholarship, to become effective in October, 1929.

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## LAST COMMENCEMENT VERY WELL ATTENDED

The one hundredth Commencement of Kenyon College and Bexley Hall took place on Monday, June 18, 1928.

Commencement week began on Friday, June 15, with Centennial exercises commemorating the graduation of the first class at Bexley Hall. An address was given in Philo Hall by the Rev. George C. Foley, of the Philadelphia Divinity School. In the evening, the Bexley Banquet took place in Colburn Hall. Several excellent speeches were delivered after the banquet by Alumni of Bexley Hall and by students.

On Saturday, June 16, the Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees took place in President Peirce's new reception room. Alumni were registered in the East Division Parlor of Middle Kenyon during the day, and in the afternoon several class reunions were held. In the evening, the Class of '28 presented "Ten Nights in a Bar Room," in Rosse Hall, where it was enthusiastically received by a large audience.

At 7:30 a. m. on Sunday, June 17, a celebration of Holy Communion was held in the College Chapel, followed at 10:30 by the Ordination Services in the Chapel. One of the interesting events of the week was the K. M. A. reunion held at the College Commons on Sunday evening. Much enthusiasm was evidenced at this reunion, and the former K. M. A. students promised continued support of the plans made by K. M. A. officers. In the evening, the Baccalaureate Service was held in the College Chapel where the sermon was by President Peirce.

On Monday, June 18, the Class of '28 had a corporate Communion in the College Chapel at 7:30. At 9:30, Morning Prayer was read in the Chapel, after which the academic procession marched to Ascension Hall, where the Renovated Ascension Hall was dedicated by the Rt. Rev. William Andrew Leonard, Bishop of Ohio. President Peirce gave an historical outline of the building and use of Ascension Hall. At 10:15 the procession marched to Rosse Hall for the One Hundredth Commencement, where forty-one men received their bachelor's degrees, four received Master of Arts degrees, ten received degrees in divinity and three men received honorary degrees.

After the granting of degrees President Peirce made several announcements of interest to all undergraduates. Merit Lists for the first semester of the year 1927-28 were announced, several changes on the Faculty were made, and new members on the Board of Trustees were named. The most interesting announcement, however, was that of the receipt of a letter of donation from Messrs. Cromwell and Ginn, in which funds were granted for the construction of a new College Commons, according to plans drawn up by Alfred Granger.

In the afternoon of Monday, June 18, President and Mrs. Peirce were at home to callers; in the evening, the various divisions on the Hill held their banquets; and, as a crowning event, the Junior Reception for the graduating class took place in the form of a dance at Rosse Hall in the evening.

## FRATERNITIES PLEDGE (Continued from page one)

new delegation will be an added asset to them in their efforts to secure a charter.

A list of the pledges to each fraternity follows:

### Delta Kappa Epsilon

Hubert Bissell Bates, '32, Lansing, Mich.  
Bernis DeFries Brien, '32, Dayton, Ohio.  
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Pargnay McCune, '31, Sandusky, Ohio.  
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## SPORTS

FOOTBALL TEAM MAKES  
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## Material Good But Co-ordination Lacking

It can be said without danger of contradiction that the football season has so far been an utter failure. The team has played three games, two of which it certainly should have won. Both of these games it has lost by large scores, and the Reserve game, which it could not have been reasonably expected to win, it lost by a disgracefully large score. Exactly where the trouble lies has not, as yet, been discovered—or if it has, the discovery has not yet been made public.

We are certain on one point. And that is that the new coach, Mr. Clash, is doing everything within his power to remedy the present unfavorable situation. Any man coaching a team for the first season is bound to be working at a disadvantage. He does not know his men, their former methods of play, nor the conditions existing at the institution which he enters. Clash has been working hard this season to overcome this handicap, and has, in a large measure, succeeded in doing so. He drives his men hard on the field, permits few rest periods and no loafing, and expects the members of the squad to supplement his work with them on the field with strict training at all other times. And yet in spite of this rigid discipline he is well-liked by the men who work for him—a fact which speaks well for Clash's methods. Every one knows the devastating effects resulting from friction between a coach and his team, and Kenyon men are thankful that no such condition exists here.

There seems to be plenty of individual ability on the football squad and enough material to build a good team. But teamwork and intelligent football are sadly lacking. In the Kent game and, to a certain extent, in the Reserve game the chief fault seemed to be with the line. In both these encounters it turned in a miserable job. About half the time it might as well have been running interference for the opposing team. But in the Otterbein game last Saturday it was an improved group that held down the line positions. And in that game the backfield men left a good deal to be desired in their playing, with the exceptions of Walling and Updegraff, both of whom played well—especially Walling.

All of our opponents this year have gained almost at will around end—except when Broden has been in the line-up. This man has played well and displayed an immense amount of nerve in every game that he has played in for the past two years. Why he isn't on the field of play more is beyond us.

Whatever the team's hoodoo is it seems to visit it at critical moments. In the Otterbein game our men outplayed Otterbein most of the time, but it was rarely that they got in a tight place and got out again without the other team's getting a "break." This may be attributed to either lack of the proper mental attitude of the whole team or of the driving force of the team. McElroy is a splendid backfield man, but he has a terrible time making up his

mind what signal to call. He might go better at halfback.

On the line the individual players of promise are Holman, Dunlop, Greenslade, Marco, Hughes, Broden, Lyman, Taylor, Gorsuch, Brown, Cink and two or three others. Not all of the men mentioned have played creditably this year so far, but all of them have the makings of good football players in them.

In the backfield McElroy's expert passing has been of great value to the team, and Updegraff's driving line plunges have gained ground when the line hasn't gotten in his way. Knecht has been showing plenty of nerve and ability in running with the ball. Walling was out of the early games with a bad knee, but turned in the best performance on the field in the Otterbein game. He carried the ball for consistent gains; he worked beautifully on the secondary defense; and he played as hard in the fourth quarter as he did in the first, which fact, in case Kenyon men haven't ever heard of the idea before, indicates that he probably keeps training.

Altogether there is no reason why Kenyon should not have a good football team, and have it this year. The material is there, the coaching is there. The drive is there part of the time, but whenever it's needed no one seems to be able to locate it. If the team will only be able to get into good enough condition to sustain its peak for more than a quarter it will be tough opposition for any Ohio Conference aggregation.

## CROSS COUNTRY TEAM TRAINS

Under the able tutelage of Murray Cott and Wayne Singer, who are putting the freshmen and 'varsity aspirants through a stiff preliminary program, plans for a Kenyon cross-country team appear unusually bright. Ten Sophomores and Juniors follow doggedly in the tracks of Mr. Singer, five times a week, as he jogs tirelessly over hill and dale. At least there were ten at the first practice; there may be fewer later on, as the mortality rate in Kenyon athletics seems to be extremely high.

Mr. Cott, on the other hand, has been doing some splendid things with his freshman troupe of about twenty-five long-legged and angular marathon prospects. He hopes to have a number of excellent runners by the time he graduates. In the meantime, almost any day between three and five in the afternoon you may view the astounding sight of Mr. Cott leaping from crag to crag around the peaceful Gambler landscape, followed by a long line of listless, limping hehmen.

## GOLF TEAM IS ORGANIZED

D. Bruce Mansfield, '30, is at the head of Kenyon's latest athletic venture: a golf team. Several men have evidenced an interest in the game (it is believed that this interest lies in the excuse from gym offered by the team), and these men may be seen about the campus absorbed in the frenzy of their endeavors.

Each man on the squad is to belong to the Mt. Vernon Country Club, where the majority of the practices will be held. The team is to practice until weather becomes too inclement. During the season, two meetings each week will be counted as equivalent to the regular gym training.

## KENYON LOSES FIRST GAME

Kenyon lost its initial game of the season to Kent Normal, 25 to 6, at Gambler, on Saturday, the 30th of September. The visiting team earned one touchdown and received three others as presents from their hosts through a fumble, an intercepted pass, and a blocked kick.

Nine yards were made by the purple team on the first scrimmage of the game and it looked as if the visitors would be shoved right down the field, but the Kent line stiffened and their recovery of a Kenyon fumble paved the way for a touchdown a few minutes later. Another fumble and a blocked kick in the first quarter gave Kent a second touchdown.

Passing was resorted to by the Kenyon outfit for the second half of the game, but it was discovered that Kent could beat them at their own game, for they scored their third touchdown by the air route and intercepted a Kenyon heave for a fourth.

The rawness of the Kenyon outfit was apparent from the start. At times the team played good ball only to become confused a little later and allow the Kent line to come charging through and nail the runner for a loss or to recover a fumble. On the defensive the Purple line did not break through and make many tackles, and consequently the backs had more than their share of stopping the opposing ball carriers. A light backfield cannot continually tackle and then be expected to make big gains on the offensive. Perhaps this is the reason why not many gains were made through the Kent line.

Hughes played a good defensive game on the line and Knecht and McElroy worked well in the backfield. Kenyon's lone touchdown came as the result of a rather inaccurate pass, Dawson to Hoyt, in the final period of the game.

## RESERVE TRIMS KENYON

On the 6th of October, Reserve, playing her first game of the season, swamped the purple team from Gambler, 70 to 6. The Cleveland team was heavier, faster, stronger

and more experienced, but for all that Kenyon kept fighting and never once ceased her efforts to score until the final whistle blew.

Everything was Platz, Platz, Platz. The noted backfield man from Reserve was everywhere, except when he had the ball and then the Kenyon team had a very difficult time locating him; even at that it didn't seem to do much good to locate Platz for he had a most annoying habit of stepping right out of a tackler's arms. This young All-Ohio quarterback personally conducted the pigskin over Kenyon's goal five times and rolled up an average of 14 yards from scrimmage, or 309 yards in 21 trials.

Kenyon's lone touchdown came as a result of a beautiful pass, McElroy to Brown. The score came in the first period not long after Reserve had scored for the first time. During the remaining minutes of the first quarter Reserve seemed very much excited about the flurry of passes that came their way, and for a while it looked as if the game would be well contested until Platz took the heart out of the visitors with his sweeping runs.

There was, however, one bright spot in Kenyon's game and that bright spot was McElroy, the 135-pound quarterback whose bullet-like passes and sneaks through the center of the line were about the only means by which Kenyon could make any gains. He certainly merited the big hand he received as he left the field.

In spite of this bad lacing Kenyon refuses to be too pessimistic about the season. Although the backfield is light there is a lot of speed and a little more perfect passing system should net some long gains. The team has fight, with one or two exceptions in the line; that was demonstrated Saturday. The backs were sadly lacking in interference but when they resorted to the aerial attack they completed nine out of eighteen passes, which is not a bad average. It is apparent that the team's best bet on the offensive will be the air route, but the line must get enough drive to open up an occasional hole for the ball carriers.

## OTTERBEIN WINS, TOO

On Saturday, the 13th of October, Kenyon played Otterbein in its third game of the season. The ladies from Westerville were not tough, but they beat Kenyon 18-0. They scored two touchdowns by superior playing and generalship and a third by a beautiful eighty yard run which went through eleven Kenyon men on the strength of its merit alone, and not because of any lucky break. And yet Kenyon outplayed Otterbein most of the time. The Kenyon defeat may be attributed to the fact that it didn't have the added punch at the moment when it was needed, and that every time our team got the ball in a good place they did something dumb about it.

Otterbein scored once in the first quarter, once in the third, and again in the last period. The Kenyon team staged a rally and held a determined Otterbein try for a touchdown at the end of the first quarter, and during the third quarter made a strong bid for a touchdown itself.

Walling starred for Kenyon. He was into every play, and made himself felt by the opposing team at all times. He gained ground consistently by his line plunges, and tackled with an ardour that was undoubtedly genuine. Updegraff at halfback, Broden at end and Taylor, coming out of the line to do the punting, turned in very creditable performances for the day.

Unfortunately Hughes, Marco, Updegraff, and Greenslade all received injuries which necessitated their removal from the game. It is feared that Hughes and Greenslade will be out of the line-up for at least a week.

Kenyon's forward pass defense proved itself once again to be one of the weak spots in the team's make-up. Otterbein completed forward passes almost at will, while our team, usually strong in that department, completed comparatively few.

At times the team looked good, and at other times it looked awful. It was beaten by an inferior team in Otterbein.

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